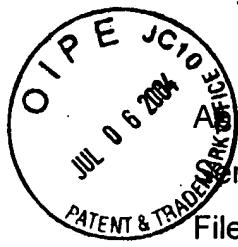


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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



Applicant(s): Dong *et al.*
Serial No.: 09/463,042
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**Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

Dear Sir:

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

We are enclosing an Amendment in the above-identified application.

Petition for extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.137 is hereby made if, and to the extent, required. The fee for this extension of time is calculated to be **\$110.00** to extend the time for filing this response until **July 19, 2004**.

The fee for any change in number of claims has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	
Total Claims	20	Minus	19	0	x \$18.00	\$
Independent Claims	4	Minus	3	1	x \$86.00	\$86.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM FEE						x \$290.00 = \$
TOTAL FEE FOR CLAIM CHANGES						\$86.00
1/2 FILING FEE FOR SMALL ENTITY						\$43.00

The total fee for this amendment is calculated to be \$ 98.00 for the claim changes (\$43.00) and one-month extension of time fee (\$55.00).

A check in the amount of \$ 0.00 is attached.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required with this communication or during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to **Deposit Account No. 01-0467**. A duplicate copy of this Form is enclosed.

July 2, 2004

Date

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS BEING DEPOSITED WITH THE U.S. POSTAL SERVICE AS FIRST CLASS MAIL IN AN ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO: MAIL STOP AMENDMENT, COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS, P.O. BOX 1450, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450, ON JULY 2, 2004.

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